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SUBJECT: COLUMNIST GALLS KITIMAT PIPELINE "SOONEST TO SUCCEED".

REF: TORONTO A-110, NOVEMBER 18,1976

1. OIL AND GAS COLUMNIST HUGH MCINTYRE, WRITING IN THE
DECEMBER 18 FINANCIAL POST UNDER A CALGARY DATELINE,
CLAIMED THAT DESPITE REAL OPPOSITION FROM THE NDP IN BRITISH
COLUMBIA AND FROM SOME WESTERN HEAVY OIL PRODUCERS, THE
KITIMAT CRUDE OIL PIPELINE PROJECT IS THE MAJOR PIPELINE
PROPOSAL CONSIDERED "SOONEST TO SUCCEED" BY WESTERN ENERGY
EXECUTIVES.

2. AFTER REVIEWING THE SCOPE OF THE PROPOSAL AND TOUCHIN ON
THE WITHDRAWAL OF HUSKY OIL AND TRANS MOUNTAIN PIPELINE CO.
FROM THE CONSORTIUM, MCINTYRE STATED THAT THE REMAINING SIX
PIPELINES "ARE FIRMLY BEHIND THE PROJECT." MCINTYRE PRESENTED
THE JUSTIFICATION FOR THE PROJECT IN A QUOTE FROM THE CHIEF
TRANSPORTATION EXECUTIVE OF ONE PARTNER:
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QUOTE - THE KITIMAT PROJECT IS ONE OF URGENT NATIONAL IMPORTANCE
FOR BOTH COUNTRIES. AS MEMBERS WE ARE DOING THREE THINGS:
PUTTING UP EQUITY; GUARANTEEING DEBT; AND COMMITTING OURSELVES
TO A CERTAIN VOLUME OF THROUGHPUT. WE'RE ALREADY ALL ACTIVE
SHIPPERS OF CRUDE INTO THE US MIDWEST AND MORTHERN-TIER STATES.

AND WE'RE NOT TIED TO CRUDE FROM THE NORTH SLOPE. WITH A
DEEP-SEA TERMINAL, WE CAN GET SUPPLIES FROM ANYWHERE. OUR MAIN
INTEREST IS TO DEVELOP A NEW ROUTE FOR OIL TRANSIT INTO
THE CENTRAL US. UNQUOTE.
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